For this contains our general grievances :
Each several article herein redress'd;
All members of our cause, both here and hence,
That are insinew'd to this action,
Acquitted by a true substantial form [2];
And present execution of our wills
To us, and to our purposes, consigned[3] |

[2] — substantial form:] That is, by a pardon of due form and legal validity. JOHNSON.

[3] To us, and to our PURPOSES, CONSIGNED ;] The old copies— * *confined.* STEEVENS.

This schedule we see consists of three parts : 1. A redress of general grievances. 2. A pardon for those in arms. 3. Some demands of advantage for them. But this third part is very strangely expressed.

" And present execution of our wills
" To us, and to our *purposes,* confin'd."

The first line shows they had something to demand, and the second expresses the modesty of that demand. The demand, says the speaker, " is confined to us and to our purposes." A very modest kind of restriction truly! only as extensive as their appetites and passions. Without question Shakspeare wrote—

" To us and to our *properties* confin'd: "

1. e. we desire no more than security for our liberties and properties ; and this was no unreasonable demand. WARBURTON.

This passage is so obscure that I know not what to make of it. Nothing better occurs to me than to read *consign'd* for *confin'd.* That is, let the execution of our demands be put into our hands, according to our declared purposes. JOHNSON.

Perhaps we should read [with Sir Thomas Hanmer] *confirmed.* This would obviate every difficulty. STEEVENS.

I believe two lines are out of place. I read :

" For this contains our general grievances,
" And present execution of our wills :
" To us and to our purposes confin'd."

FARMER.

The present reading appears to me to be right: and what they demand is, a speedy execution of their wills, so far as they relate to themselves, and to the grievances which they *proposed* to redress. M. MASON.

The quarto has—confined. In my copy of the first folio, the word appears to be *consin'd.* The types used in that edition were so worn, that *f* and *l* are scarcely distinguishable. But however it may have been printed, I am persuaded that the true reading is *consigned;* that is, *sealed, ratified, confirmed;* a Latin